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SUBJECT: PLANNING FOR IBRD CONSULTATIVE GROUP MEETING ON  
ZAIRE

FOLLOWING BACKGROUND INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM BANK  
OFFICIAL IS FYI ONLY.

1. IBRD REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT WA,ENHANS WILL ARRIVE IN  
KINSHASA FEBRUARY 5 FOR APPROXIMATELY TEN DAY VISIT  
(TO INCLUDE LUBUMBASHI AND GOMA) TO DISCUSS IBRD ,PROGRAMS  
IN GENERAL AND PROJECTED CONSULTATIVE GROUP MEETING ON  
AID TO ZAIRE IN PARTICULAR. SPECIFICALLY WA,ENHANS WILL  
DISCUSS WITH PRESIDENT MOBUTU AND OTHER GOZ OFFICIALS  
VENUE, DATE, AND AGENDA FOR MEETING.

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2. IBRD EXPECTS VENUE TO BE PARIS, GIVEN GENERAL  
UNHAPPINESS WITH LAST CONSULTATIVE GROU, MEETING IN  
KINSHASA. BANK CANNOT BE READY FOR MEETING BEFORE  
MID-APRIL. BANK PREPARATORY MATERIAL (ECONOMIC UPDATE AND  
SECTOR REPORTS) CANNOT BE READY FOR DISTRIBUTION BEFORE  
MARCH 1 AND BANK INSISTS ON MINIMUM OF FOUR WEEKS BETWEEN  
DISTRIBUTION OF REPORTS AND CONSULTATIVE GROUP MEETING.

INTERESTINGLY, IMF CONSULTATION REPORT WILL NOT RPT NOT BE MADE AVAILABLE TO IBRD UNLESS GOZ AUTHORIZES RELEASE.

3. BANK WILL PROPOSE THAT AGENDA CONSIST OF TWO BASIC ELEMENTS. FIRST WILL BE REVIEW OF ZAIRIAN ECONOMY AND OF GOZ EFFORTS TO DEAL WITH MACRO PROBLEMS (GOZ PRESENTATION.) SECOND WILL BE DISCUSSION OF CRUCIAL SECTORS WITH EMPHASIS ON IDENTIFICATION OF MAJOR PROBLEMS AND BOTTLENECKS PLUS IDENTIFICATION OF POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS.

4. SECOND PART OF PROPOSED AGENDA POSES OBVIOUS QUESTION; WHAT HAPPENS WHEN SPECIFIC PROBLEMS AND SOLUTIONS IDENTIFIED? WILL MEETING PARTICIPANTS THEN BE EXPECTED TO OFFER ASSISTANCE? WHEN FACED WITH THIS QUESTION BANK OFFICIAL ADMITTED THAT THIS IS DELICATE IF NOT EMBARRASSING POINT. BANK ITSELF WILL NOT BE IN POSITION (EVEN IT WISHED TO DO SO) TO OFFER ADDITIONAL RESOURCE ASSISTANCE UNTIL REPLENISHMENT COMMITMENTS TO IDA ARE CONFIRMED. THIS WILL PROBABLY NOT BE IN TIME FOR ZAIRE CONSULTATIVE GROUP MEETING. BALL WILL PRESUMABLY THEN BE IN COURT(S) OF NATIONAL PARTICIPANTS AT MEETING.

5. ALTHOUGH CONSULTATIVE GROUP MEETING IS NOT FORMALLY OR OFFICIALLY LINKED TO CURRENT GOZ-IMF CONSULTATIONS ON A NEW STAND-BY AGREEMENT, A NEW STAND-BY AGREEMENT IS A DE FACTO CONDITION FOR CONSULTATIVE GROUP MEETING.  
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